Title	Chlamydia/Gonorrhea Collection and Transport
Specimen Requirements	Urine level in the urine transport tube must fall between the two black indicator lines on the tube label. Swab specimen transport tube must contain only the blue swab.
Sampling Materials	Female/male urine specimens, urethral swabs and endocervical swabs should be collected using appropriate specimen collection kit following instructions provided in each kit package insert. Sample Container: Gen-Probe APTIMA Combo 2 Assay Unisex Swab Specimen Collection Kit for Endocervical and Urethral Swab Specimens, and the APTIMA Combo 2 Assay Urine Specimen Collection Kit for Male and Female Urine Specimens
Procedural Notes	 Be sure to properly label the specimen tube with at least the patient's name and date of collection. Check the expiration date on the tube to ensure product is acceptable and will continue to be acceptable once received at the ISDH laboratory. Urine and swab specimen must be stored between 2-30 °C. Swab specimen must be tested within 60 days of collection. Urine specimen must be tested within 30 days of collection. If longer storage is required freeze specimen at -20 °C to -70 °C for up to 90 days. Complete a request form for each specimen with the following information: Name, birth date, race, and sex of patient Specimen type and date of specimen collection Date of symptom onset Suspected disease agent Complete patient history, travel history, and other relevant information Submitting clinic information-clinic name, address, phone number, fax number, contact name and email address (if available). Only specimens approved by Indiana Family Health Council are eligible for testing.
Shipping Instructions	Triple contained in accordance with federal shipping regulations for diagnostic specimens. Required Request Form: LimsNet Cover Sheet for LimsNet submissions, or ISDH Chlamydia/Gonorrhea Request form for mail submissions. Transport Temperature: 2-30 ℃
Reporting and TAT	Five business days.